

**Minutes:
Issue 78 Subcommittee Meeting**

Thursday, August 30, 2000, 9:00 a.m.
Arizona Public Service - 400 North Fifth St., Building 2, Conference Rm 2S, Phoenix, Arizona

	Topic	Lead	Outcome	Att.
1	Welcome, Sign-in	Stacy Aguayo	Because Paul Taylor was not able to chair the subcommittee, Ms. Aguayo chaired this meeting. Ms. Aguayo welcomed participants to the Issue 78 Subcommittee meeting. A sign-in sheet was circulated. Participants are listed in Attachment 1. John Wallace volunteered to chair the subcommittee starting with the next meeting.	1
2	Discussion about how Group will Proceed	Stacy Aguayo	<p>The group discussed how to proceed in addressing Issue 78 (Meter Service Providers (MSPs) contracting directly with customers). There are two models for submitting DASRs: 1) Load-serving Electric Service Providers (ESPs) submit all DASRs or 2) MSPs submit DASRs also. The group discussed whether it was important to deal with Issue 78 now. The group could inventory the business practices impacted by MSPs contracting directly with customers.</p> <p>The group agreed to proceed through the process and identify differences between cooperatives and investor-owned utilities (IOUs). Those differences would be presented to the PSWG. One difference is that for IOUs, customers must choose load-serving ESPs if they choose MSPs. For cooperatives, customers could choose MSPs, and cooperatives could provide the generation.</p>	
3	Review of Issue 78 Working Document	Stacy Aguayo	The group reviewed and discussed the list of issues and questions prepared by APS Energy Services. Notes of the discussion are in Attachment 2. The group will use the list as a working document for future meetings.	2
4	Future Meetings	Stacy Aguayo	The group decided that the next meeting will be after the October Process Standardization Working Group meeting. DASR people should attend the next Issue 78 meeting.	
5	Adjourn Meeting	Stacy Aguayo	The meeting was adjourned.	

PARTICIPANTS AT AUGUST 30, 2000
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Name	Organization
Stacy Aguayo	Arizona Public Service Company
Debbie Brown	Salt River Project
Susie Derbes	Arizona Public Service Company
Charlie Emerson	Trico Electric Cooperative
Gene Gerhart	Salt River Project
Tony Gillooly	Tucson Electric Power Company
June Greenrock	Salt River Project
Barbara Keene	Arizona Corporation Commission Staff
Chris Lindsay-Smith	Schlumberger RMS
Stephen McArthur	Mohave Electric Cooperative
Paul Michaud	Navopache Electric Cooperative
Larry Nuszloch	Salt River Project
Shirley Renfroe	Arizona Public Service Company
Jenine Schenk	Arizona Public Service Company
Al Smith	Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative
John Wallace	Grand Canyon State Electric Coop Association
Jim Wontor	APS Energy Services

NOTES FROM DISCUSSION OF WORKING DOCUMENT
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Certification process for MSPs

If MSPs submit DASRs, the MSPs would have to go through DASR testing with the Utility Distribution Companies (UDCs). MSPs who don't want to submit DASRs could opt out of the testing. There may also be testing needed for EDI 810 (billing) and EDI 820 (remittance).

DASR submittals to UDC

The group decided to recommend to the PSWG the following short-term solution, although this issue could be revisited as we gain more experience with the market:

MSPs could contract directly with customers, but DASRs would be submitted by load-serving ESPs only.

If the short-term proposal is approved by the PSWG, the Issue 78 group would begin reviewing the DASR Handbook and identify changes needed to accommodate the short-term solution.

A new question was identified: Does a load-serving ESP have liability for MSP slamming?
The group will review the DASR in future meetings.

Exchange of meter information through EMI, MMIRN, and MDCR forms

Currently, the UDC sends the EMI to both the MSP and the load-serving ESP. When an MSP contracts directly with a customer, the EMI would not have to be sent to the load-serving ESP.

Currently, the UDC sends the MMIRN to the load-serving ESP after receipt from the MSP. The process would remain the same.

A new question was identified: If an MSP contracts with a customer and the customer changes to another MSP, who is responsible for maintaining history?

Requests for meter maintenance, replacement, and testing

Two new questions were identified: What incentive does the MSP have to respond to the MRSP or load-serving ESP? and Who reports to whom the results of a meter test?

Miscellaneous

A new question was identified: Who is the default MSP if an MSP drops a customer?

MSPs must file tariffs to sell directly to customers. If their CC&N doesn't allow them to contract with the customer, they would have to go back through the CC&N process.

Other issues to be addressed are billing impacts and credit worthiness.